

II. Claims

Claims 1-4 (Cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer)

5. (Presently Amended) [The polymer of Claim 2] A

polymer comprising a side chain of formula II: [wherein said side chain and said polymer are of formula II:]

(II)

wherein ~CH₂—CH~ is part of the backbone of the polymer and wherein the side chain is attached to an ethylene moiety of the polymer and R is an alkyl, aryl, oxyalkyl or oxyary linker group.

6. (Presently Amended) [The polymer of Claim 2] A

polymer comprising a side chain of formula III: [wherein said side chain and said polymer are of formula III:]

(III)

wherein ~CH₂—CH~ is part of the backbone of the polymer and wherein the side chain is attached to an ethylene moiety of the polymer and R is an alkyl, aryl, oxyalkyl or oxyary linker group.

Claims 7-11 (Cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer)